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SUBJ: MALAGASY OFFICIALS TRAVELING WITH FONMIN RATSIRAKA

REF: PARIS 19587

DEPT PASS TO EXIMBANK

1. WE NOTE FROM REFTEL THAT AMONG MALAGASY OFFICIALS WHO HAVE RECEIVED VISAS FOR TRAVEL TO U.S. WITH FONMIN ARE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY RAJAONARY AND DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION BEMANANJARA.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW WHY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN DEL TO VISIT U.S. BUT WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT HE BE GIVEN BRIEFING BY EXIMBANK ON ITS CREDIT FACILITIES IF THIS CAN BE ARRANGED.

3. MIN TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT HAS INFORMED US THAT IT IS NOT CERTAIN AS YET THAT DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION WILL VISIT U.S. BECAUSE OF CONFLICTING NEED FOR HIM HERE. HOWEVER, IF THIS DIRECTOR IS INCLUDED ON DEL, IT IS POSSIBLE HE MAY WISH TO RAISE WITH DEPT QUESTION OF POSSIBLE USG FINANCING TO ASSIST GOMR IN PURCHASE AND OUTFITTING OF SURPLUS LCT'S AND LST'S. ON BASIS STATE 70986 WE INFORMED GOMR ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF CREDIT ASSISTANCE FROM EXIMBANK. SUBSEQUENTLY EMBASSY RECEIVED DIP NOTE FROM MOFA REQUESTING GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR THIS PURPOSE. COPY OF THIS NOTE SENT TO DEPT UNDER COVER OF 19JUN LETTER FROM DCM MATHERON TO COHEN, AF/C.MENDENHALL

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